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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applica	ation of:)
Yoshiaki SHIMIZU) Examiner: Lazorcik, J.
Serial No.:	10/743,383))) Art Unit: 1731
Filed:	December 23, 2003) AIT OIIIT. 1751)

For: Method for Processing a Preform for Optical Fiber Using a Burner System (as amended)

AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 19, 2006, Applicants petition for a three month extension of time and payment is addressed at the end of this Amendment. Please amend the application as follows.

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IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title to read as follows:

Method for Processing a Preform for Optical Fiber <u>Using a</u> Burner System Useful for

Carrying Out the Method and Apparatus Comprising the Burner System